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SUBJECT: MUJIB'S HEALTH; SOVIET VIEWS ON SOUTH ASIA

1. DEPUTY CHIEF MFA SOUTH ASIA DIVISION FILIPPOV TOLD VISITING DEPTOFF HOWELLS AND EMBOFF APRIL 5 THAT BANGLADESH PRIME MINISTER MUJIBUR RAHMAN'S HEALTH WAS IMPROVING AND CURRENT EXPECTATION WAS THAT HE WOULD LEAVE USSR WITHIN A WEEK OR TEN DAYS. IT WAS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER HE WOULD RETURN DIRECTLY TO BANGLADESH. FILIPPOV SAID NOTHING ABOUT NATURE OF ILLNESS.

2. COMMENTING ON TRIPARTITE FONMIN MEETING IN NEW DELHI, FILIPPOV WAS OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS OF RESOLVING PROBLEM OF 195 POW'S HELD BY BANGLADESH. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF APRIL 4, MFA INDIA DESK OFFICER RAINA SAID SOVIETS THOUGHT PRISONER PROBLEM WOULD PROBABLY BE SETTLED BY "GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT" WHICH WOULD PRESUMABLY AVOID TRIAL.

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3. FILIPPOV WAS SURPRISINGLY GLOOMY ABOUT IMPACT OF OIL CRISIS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROSPECTS OF ENTIRE SUB-CONTINENT. WHILE HE ACKNOWLEDGED INDIA'S AND PAKISTAN'S SUPPLY ARRANGEMENTS WITH IRAQ AND IRAN, HE FELT THAT NO SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS COULD OFFSET INCREASE IN PRICE OF OIL AND LIKELY SUBSEQUENT INCREASES IN PRICES OF CAPITAL GOODS.

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